

Boston, August 28. 1845.

My dear Miss Carpenter,

I ought before this to have thanked you for your little volume of "Meditations", beautiful both within and without - beautiful in every sense. I have carefully examined ~~the~~ it, and have been delighted with the plan, and the execution of the plan. I think it eminently designed to accomplish its object - the cultivation of a devout and grateful mind. It is a remembrance of duty, an incentive to self-watchfulness, a teacher of prayer. I saw Mr. Gannett yesterday at Cambridge, and asked him if he had seen it. He said you had sent him a copy, and that he had tried to get a notice of it into the Sept^r. Examiner, but had not. He asked me to write a brief notice for the next number, - Six weeks ago, being in Boston, I took the volume to Crosby & Co., hoping they would be induced to re-print it. ~~xxx~~ They then led me to think they should be glad to do so. I saw Mr. C. to-day, and he said he had been absent from the city a great part of the summer,

and had not yet determined whether to re-print the book or not. If it is not re-printed, I shall urge him to import some of the London edition. If it is, I hope there may be a balance of pecuniary profits which can be transmitted to you.

I send you herewith a little volume which I am sure you will find interesting & instructive. We have all learned much from it - of the nature of Slavery, and of the kind of men & minor upon which Slavery does not hesitate to lay its ruthless hand. F. Douglass the writer sailed for your land in the last Steamship, and I hope you may see, hear, & converse with him. He would not of course fail to go to Bristol. If you should hear him, you will not fail to recollect his almost utter want of early education; and, considering that, I think you will be surprised at the correctness of his language, at his general good taste, and his clear apprehension and presentation of his subject.

Time fails me. I beg to be remembered to all my kind Bristol friends - to your

Sister and brother. Please also offer my respects to
your Mother; and with sincere regard, believe me,

Yours very truly

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